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Applicant: H. Robert Horvitz et al. Art Unit: 1632
Serial No.: 08/984,178 Examiner: Ram Shukla
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TWO CELL DEATH GENES AND USES THEREFOR

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In reply to the Notice of Allowance that was mailed in connection with the above-captioned case on April 2, 2003, and having confirmation number 1856, enclosed are:

A completed fee transmittal form PTOL-85; and

A check for \$680.00 to cover the issue fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.18(a) of \$650.00 and the patent copy fee required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.19(a)(1)(i) of \$30.00 for ten patent copies.

Please note that the entity status of this application has changed. Applicants hereby claim small entity status, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.

As noted in the Preliminary Amendment filed on January 8, 2003, applicants again

request that the Form PTO-1449 that was filed with the Information Disclosure Statement on November 4, 1998, be initialed in its entirety and returned. In particular, applicants note that Yuan "Genetic and Molecular Studies of *ced-3* and *ced-4*, Two Genes that Control Programmed Cell Death in the Nematode *C. elegans*," Ph.D. thesis, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA (Cat. 1990 Widener Library) had a line drawn through the citation and that U.S. Patent Nos. 5,196,333 and 4,855,319 were not initialed.

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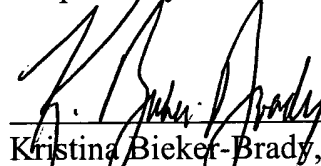
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A transmittal letter to the Official Draftsperson accompanied by 23 sheets of formal drawings that include the changes required by the Official Draftsperson.

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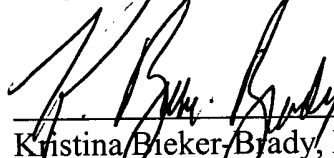
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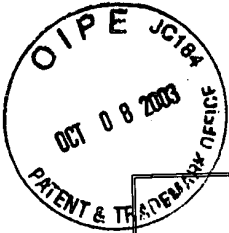
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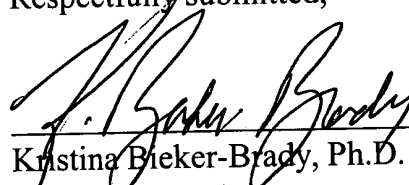
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